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(d) If the reports are not submitted in a timely manner or if the reports indicate that the grantee has made unsatisfactory progress or the grantee is not meeting its established objectives, the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 official servicing the grant will recommend to the State Director appropriate action to resolve the indicated problem(s). If appropriate corrective action is not taken by the grantee, the State Director has the discretion to not authorize further advances by suspending the project in accordance with §1944.688 of this subpart and the grant agreement.

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§ 1944.684 Extending grant agreement and modifying the statement of activities.

(a) All requests extending the original grant agreement or modifying the HPG program's statement of activities must be in writing. Such requests will be processed through the designated FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office servicing the project. The approval official will respond to the applicant within 30 days of receipt of the request.

(b) A grantee may request an extension of the grant agreement prior to the end of the project term specified in the grant agreement if the grantee anticipates that there will be grant funds remaining and the grantee has demonstrated its ability to conduct its program in a manner satisfactory to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. The approval official may approve an extension when:

(1) The grantee is likely to complete or exceed the goals outlined in the approved statement of activities; and

(2) The FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office responsible for servicing the grant recommends continuation of the grant until the grantee has expended all of the remaining grant funds.

(c) Modifications to the statement of activities, such as revising the processes the grantee follows in operating the HPG program, may be approved by the approval official when the modifications are for eligible purposes in accordance with §§1944.664 and 1944.666 of

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this subpart, meet any applicable review and process requirements of this subpart, and the program will continue to serve the geographic area originally approved. The grantee will submit its proposed revisions together with the necessary supporting information to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 prior to modifying its operation from the approved statement of activities.

(d) Exhibit B of this subpart (available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office) will be used for all extensions on and modifications to the grant agreement.

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§ 1944.686 Additional grants.

An additional HPG grant may be made when the grantee has achieved or nearly achieved the goals established for the previous or existing grant. The grantee must file a preapplication for the current fiscal year which will be processed and compared under the project selection criteria to others submitted at that time.

§ 1944.687 [Reserved]

§ 1944.688 Grant evaluation, closeout, suspension, and termination.

(a) Grant evaluation will be an ongoing activity performed by both the grantee and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. The grantee will perform self-evaluations by preparing quarterly performance reports in accordance with §1944.683 of this subpart. FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 will also review all reports prepared and submitted by the grantee in accordance with the grant agreement and this subpart.

(b) The grant can be suspended or terminated before the grant ending date for the causes specified in the grant agreement. No further grant funds will be advanced when grant suspension or termination procedures have been initiated in accordance with the grant agreement. Grantees may be reimbursed for eligible costs incurred prior to the effective date of the suspension or termination. Grantees are prohibited from incurring additional obligations of funds after notification,